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## Kearney feels love at Romano

By Dane Ryan  
Statesman Staff Reporter

Sunday night ushered in the second big act to appear at UMD since the summer.

### REVIEW

A blossoming artist, Mat Kearney has experienced some great success as of late. The Nashville native has just launched a headlining tour after supporting hugely popular acts such as Guster and John Mayer. Kearney has also enjoyed being featured on VH1, Good Morning America as well as receiving heavy play on the radio.

"We try to book an up and coming bands," said Concert Chair senior Nate Langemo. "Mat has been climbing the pop charts and we thought it would be a good time to book him."

Before the doors even opened at the Romano Gymnasium, there was a pre-show buffet and set by Spiritual Rez. The sound was way different than the later acts, this band had a tribal and earthy sound you expect to hear from several men in dreads.

"These guys have euphoric music that is really strange but awesome," said junior



LARAMIE CARLSON/STATESMAN

Mat Kearney singing while playing the piano in the Romano Gym on Sunday night at UMD.

Eric Faust.

Outside the gymnasium, students lined up for as long as two and a half hours before the show to get to the front row.

Students poured into the venue at 7:30 p.m. but not much later, out came opening act Sanders Bulhke.

Sanders was quiet and modest throughout his set but the audience took to liking him. There was an almost eerie tranquility in the air throughout the venue as everything fell silent listening to his southern blues. The Crowd seemed impressed with both his vocal range

which rivals even the likes of Damien Rice coupled with a mastery of acoustic, and steel lap guitars. Above all else you could really witness how much he cared about his music, and what he was singing; something a lot of artists are missing these days.

"I like his music. He defi-

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## UMD students travel to the State Capitol

By Joel Runck  
Statesman Staff Reporter

On Feb. 28, members from all eight chapters of Minnesota Public Interest Research Group (MPIRG) traveled to the state capitol for Student Action Day to discuss global warming and affordable housing with state legislators.

Members of MPIRG directed their main focus towards the Global Warming Mitigation Act, a proposed state bill that would cap greenhouse gas emissions at 15 percent below 2005 levels by the year 2015. This bill heavily applies to the power sector by using a cap and trade system to limit air pollutants emitted by electric plants, according to a state bill summary. Under Section 5 of this proposed legislation, power plants that exceed regulatory limits will be fined, while those that are below restrictions, can sell excess units in the form of credits to other plants.

"You have to recognize that we already have passed the strongest renewable energy standard in the nation," said Sen. Yvonne Prettner-Solon, DFL-Duluth and co-author of the Global Warming Mitigation Act. "We are also going to pass a conservation and energy efficiency bill that will require a reduction in power usage, and this is going to be very costly to the power companies."

As for the issue of global warming, UMD MPIRG Organizing Director, Peter Starzynski said UMD students should be concerned about how they contribute to the problem.

"It's something that affects

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## Sex crimes become more common on campus

By Melissa Schmidt  
Statesman Staff Reporter

With the recent felony charges against student Michael Birk for dissemination of pornography and possession of child porn, students and faculty are becoming more aware of these types of crimes at UMD, according to Sgt. Tim LeGarde of campus police.

LeGarde said that the campus police department investigated another porn possession case in April of 2005, which resulted in similar charges.

"The student was convicted and received probation," said LeGarde. "However, I recently learned that the person violated his probation and is now incarcerated at the prison in St. Cloud."

Along with charges of porn possession, sexual assault and rape are in a category of more covert and obscure crimes, according to LeGarde.

"Sexual assault is possibly the most underreported crime committed," said Katy Brandes, an intern member of Women's Resource and Action Center

(WRAC).

Many victims of sexual assault may not feel comfortable reporting the crime to the campus police, and may not seek help from on-campus services such as WRAC or Program to Aid Victims of Sexual Assault (PAVSA), according to LeGarde.

"It's been my experience that there are numerous reasons for people not to report (sexual assault)," said LeGarde. "Embarrassment could be one of those causes. Others may be afraid of retri-

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# NEWS NOW

## NORTHLANDERS KEEP ELECTRONICS

DULUTH, Minn. (AP) — Many Duluth-area residents are not willing to pay to recycle their old electronics, according to a State recent survey.

Almost a third of the households surveyed reported hoarding old electronics.

"People aren't sure what to do, or have heard stories of exorbitant prices, so their computers and televisions are stacking up at home," said Karen Anderson, director of community relations for the Western Lake Superior Sanitary District (WLSSD).

The WLSSD hired Zenith Research Group in Duluth to conduct the survey of 610 people in Duluth, Hermantown, Cloquet, Esko and neighboring townships. Of those who are holding onto old electronics, 21 percent said the recycling cost was prohibitive and another 17 percent were unsure how to dispose them.

Nearly 73 percent said they were very likely or somewhat likely to recycle their electronics if the price was lower.

It costs \$10 to recycle a computer monitor or TV. Items such as printers and fax machines are \$5, and smaller electronics like cell phones and computer games are free, Anderson said.

Those prices could be reduced or eliminated, if state lawmakers approve legislation that would require companies making televisions and computers sold in Minnesota to pay a fee to offset the cost of recycling their products.

In July, Minnesota outlawed simply throwing away electronics, which can contain toxic substances including mercury, lead and arsenic.

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## FATHER KILLS HIS CHILD IN CRASH

BEDFORD, Ind. (AP) — Federal and state investigators were trying to determine Tuesday why a man took his 8-year-old daughter up in a small plane and then crashed it into his former mother-in-law's home, killing the little girl and himself.

Eric Johnson strapped daughter Emily into the passenger seat of a leased, single-engine Cessna on Monday and took off from Virgil I. Grissom Municipal Airport, police said. Moments later, the aircraft slammed into the side of Vivian Pace's house in this southern Indiana city.

State and Bedford police were treating the criminal investigation as a suicide and homicide, State Police 1st Sgt. Dave Bursten said. No note of explanation had yet been found, Bursten said.

"It is just gut-wrenching to think about what was happening to that child just prior to the crash," he said.

The National Transportation Safety Board investigation could take up to a year.

Emily didn't go to school Monday, and her mother, Beth Johnson, arrived at Bedford police headquarters about 11:30 a.m. to say she believed her ex-husband had abducted the girl, Bursten said.

By then, investigators already were examining the wreckage of the plane crash at Pace's home in Bedford, about 20 miles south of Bloomington.

Bursten said Tuesday that police understood the father and daughter had been on a trip. He said Beth Johnson gave specific information about an alleged abduction, but he declined to release details.

"All of those things together lead us in the direction that this was done intentionally," he said Tuesday.

Bursten said eyewitness accounts of the plane's movements just before the crash led police to suspect the crash was deliberate, as did the relationships involved.

"I thought he would do something to get back at Beth," Pace said. "He was a very possessive person. He got what he wanted."

## INDONESIA HIT BY EARTHQUAKE

PADANG, Indonesia (AP) — A powerful earthquake crumpled houses across a large swath of western Indonesia on Tuesday, World killing at least 70 people and injuring hundreds, authorities said, predicting that the toll would rise.

The magnitude 6.3 quake struck on Sumatra island and was felt as far away as neighboring Malaysia and Singapore, where some tall buildings were evacuated. It was followed by several strong aftershocks.

"Women were crying out in terror. We all just fled as quickly as we could," said Alpion, a welder in the seaside town of Padang who uses a single name. Along with thousands of others, he was running to higher ground, fearing a tsunami that never came.

Indonesia straddles one of the world's most seismically violent zones and has been hit by a string of natural disaster in recent years, the most deadly being the 2004 tsunami that killed 160,000 people on Sumatra's northern tip.

Indonesian Cabinet Secretary Sudi Silalahi told reporters in Jakarta that at least 70 people had been killed by the quake, which hit the island's western coast. The worst-affected area appeared to be Solok, a bustling town close to the epicenter where two children were killed by falling debris on a school playground.

Dozens of buildings had been destroyed and hundreds others damaged, local police chief Lt. Col. Budi Sarwono said. TV footage showed a flattened three-story home and thick cracks in the road.

"So far we have recovered 19 bodies and hundreds of injured people," Sarwono said. "The two hospitals are overwhelmed with victims."

Local government spokesman Hasrul Piliang said the number of dead "would likely rise" because tolls from remote areas were still being collected and there were reports of others trapped under debris.

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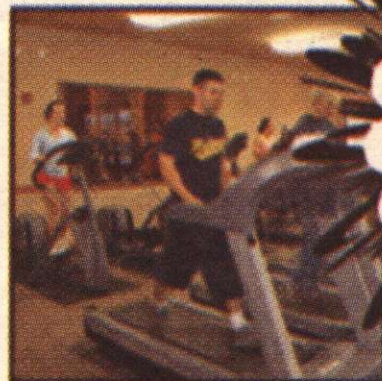
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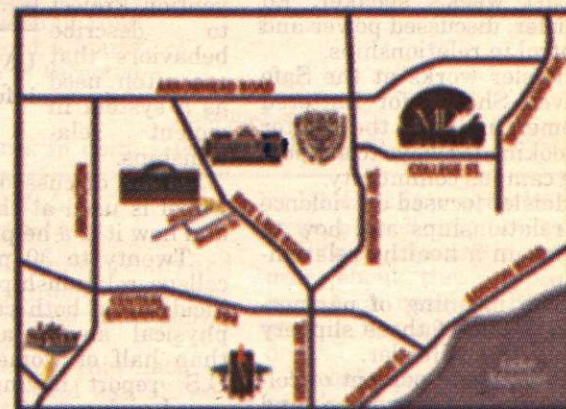


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## WRAC hosts 'Brown Bag' events

By Gina Wilken  
Statesman Staff Reporter

The Women's Resource and Action Center (WRAC) is hosting a series of "Brown Bag" events throughout March as an educational tool for students and staff. The events are called "Brown Bags" because they happen during lunch hour, featuring different keynote speakers and discussions every week.

Last week's speaker, Ed Heisler, discussed power and control in relationships.

Heisler works at the Safe Haven Shelter for Battered Women and said the shelter is looking for ways to support the campus community.

Heisler focused on violence in relationships and how to maintain a healthy relationship.

"The meaning of partnership is one of those slippery topics," said Heisler.

Twenty-one percent of college students (women and men) report they have experienced dating violence by a current partner, according to the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence.

Many organizations resort to the Power and Control Wheel as a model of how the

different forms of violence reinforce each other.

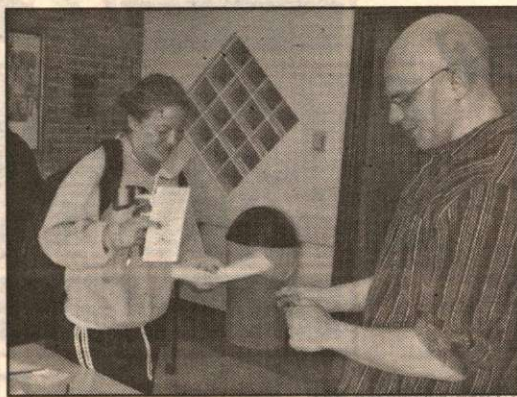
"In relationships, it's all about control," said Heisler.

The Power and Control Wheel was created in Duluth by the Domestic Abuse Intervention Project to describe behaviors that are often used as a system in violent relationships.

Heisler discussed how the wheel is used at the shelter and how it is a helpful tool.

Twenty to 30 percent of college relationships include incidents of both verbal and physical abuse, and more than half of women in the U.S. report having experienced violence at the hands of a spouse or romantic partner, according to a study by the University of Texas-Austin.

"Domestic violence and battering sometimes go together but are not the same thing," said Ed Heisler. "The differ-



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UMD sophomore Emily Shermer receives information from Ed Heisler last week.

ence is battering is a process."

Heisler explained how battering occurs over a matter of time while domestic violence can be just one event.

Domestic violence is a major public health problem that exceeds \$5.8 billion each year in the United States in health-related costs, according to the Centers for Disease Control in 2003.

UMD Professor Runa Das will be speaking about replaying orientalism for next week's event.

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## UMD celebrates Women's History throughout March

By Sara Jochems  
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International Women's Day (IWD) kicks off a month of celebration known as Women's History Month at UMD.

The first International Women's day was in February 1909, according to Susana Pelayo-Woodward, Women's History main chairwoman.

This is an official holiday in not only America, but several other countries including: Armenia, Russia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bulgaria, Ukraine, and Vietnam, said Pelayo-Woodward.

IWD is also a wake-up call for many of the issues that women are faced with on a day-to-day basis.

"These issues range from domestic abuse to sexual orientation, work wages and more simply the inequality that still exists between men and women," said Njoki Kamau, UMD Women Studies Department chairwoman.

UMD will launch IWD with a celebration today from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. in the Kirby Lounge, where music, poetry and free food will be provided.

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The university will also have "The Vagina Monologues" in the Kirby Ballroom tonight.

"The Vagina Monologues" were originally the stories Eve Enster compiled of 200 women from around the world," said UMD freshman and organizer of this event Linda Gokee-Rindal.

At 7:30 p.m. students will perform the monologues for students and the general public.

"Enster's play won her the OBIE award in 1996, which is the off-broadway play award," said Gokee-Rindal.

During the month of March, IWD activities will be sponsored by a committee making up UMD's Women Studies representatives, Women's Resource and Action Center and students.

UMD is celebrating IWD and Women's History Month with UW-Superior and St. Scholastica colleges.

"We want to make this be a celebration within a larger community," said Kamau.

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everyone, and it's something that everyone is affecting," said Starszynski. "I think the solutions come twofold. It comes from personal decisions and supporting appropriate legislation like the Global Warming Mitigation Act."

Another highlight of this legislation is that it would prohibit construction of new energy facilities in Minnesota that contribute to carbon emissions until the year 2009, according to a state bill summary.

MPIRG state representatives traveled to Duluth prior to Student Action Day to rally student support behind this proposed legislation. Even though Prettner Solon co-authored the Global Warming Mitigation Act, some were worried that she might not fully support this legislation due to outside pressure.

"She is being heavily influenced by Minnesota Power," said Lindsay Dahl, MPIRG public policy advocate. "She has to know she has the grassroots support."

However, Prettner Solon thought otherwise.

"That's ridiculous," she said. "I've been meeting with people on a daily basis. I absolutely do support it."

Last week, Starszynski and other MPIRG reps compiled a petition in favor of the Global Warming Mitigation Act with over 400 signatures to present to Prettner Solon on Student Action Day.

"When we got to her office, she kind of looked at us strangely like 'Why would you present this to me,'" said Starszynski.

Not everyone completely supports this legislation, as some legislators insist that further research is needed before committing to this bill.

"First of all, we need to develop a

cap and trade system," said Rep. Amy Koch, R-Buffer. "We don't have one. I think we need to look at the different proposals, how they'll affect the State of Minnesota, and I think we definitely need to put forth a study this year."

The other piece of state legislation that was addressed in St. Paul by MPIRG was the Housing Solutions Act. This bill would appropriate about 42 percent of revenue generated from a deed tax increase to the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency trust fund, which would be used for rental assistance, according to a state bill summary.

Starszynski said the idea behind the Housing Solutions Act is that every person who works a full time job should be able to afford a house and that this legislation is targeted to people at or just above minimum wage incomes.

Despite some differences in opin-

ions, Student Action Day was largely regarded as a success on all sides. Both Starszynski and Dahl said that student voices were acknowledged by elected officials and that it was a great opportunity for students and legislators to have their opinions received.

"I really enjoyed meeting with the students," said Koch. "They were really passionate about what they're doing, and that, I think, is fantastic."

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bution, testifying in court and some simply don't want to be involved due to the inconvenience of it."

Because of this lack of reported sexual assault and rape crimes, many people aren't aware of the abundance of these crimes on campus, according to Brandes.

"Sexual assault can happen to anyone and sexual assaults definitely happen on college campuses," said Brandes.

This presumption obscures often and may be slightly misleading, she said.

"If you look in the 'Safety and Security on Campus' brochures, they will lead you to believe that there have been no rapes on the UMD campus in the last four years," said Brandes. "However, this statistic is only referring to crimes that have been prosecuted."

There are a large number of sexual assault and rape cases which go unreported and are not prosecuted, according to Brandes.

"We (WRAC) receive few cases of sexual assault on campus per year, but we know they are happening a lot more than they are being reported," she said.

While LeGarde agreed that sexual assault and rape are a problem on campus, he said that there are other factors involved in campus crime.

"Fortunately, we don't encounter very many (sexual assault cases)," he said. "They are a growing problem everywhere, but at this point I haven't noticed any trends or increases in frequency that I would consider alarming ... I would say that in a large percentage of crimes on this campus, alcohol is a factor."

While sexual crimes may not be the largest crime factor

at UMD, it is nonetheless an issue, according to LeGarde.

With an increase in awareness about these types of crimes on campus, Brandes gave a few insights to students.

"People are always telling people what they can do to prevent sexual assault and rape, but I think it is really important to remember that anyone can be a victim, and it is never your fault," said Brandes. "We are a society who is constantly blaming the victim when it comes to sexual assault and we are not talking about prevention from the standpoint of the perpetrators."

UMD has several methods to help prevent assault and ensure the safety of students, including Safewalk.

Safewalk is a free service for students, faculty and staff to ensure safety while traveling to and from campus, according to the UMD Web site.

Students can contact WRAC, PAVSA, Health Services or the campus police department for assistance.

Brandes said that the first step towards making things right is actually reporting the crime, whether it is a sexual assault or suspicion of porn dissemination.

"We should all keep in mind that by reporting something suspicious, we might be starting the process toward helping a victim or preventing others from being victimized," said LeGarde. "That's especially true in the case of something like child pornography or other sex crimes. The more we know and the sooner we know it, the better chance we have of stopping these horrific crimes and getting help for those that are being victimized."

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# Ex-White House official Libby convicted in government scandal

WASHINGTON (AP) — Once the closest adviser to Vice President Dick Cheney, I. Lewis "Scooter" Libby was convicted Tuesday of lying and obstructing a leak investigation that shook the top levels of the Bush administration.

He is the highest-ranking White House official convicted in a government scandal since National Security Adviser John Poindexter in the Iran-Contra affair two decades ago.

In the end, jurors said they did not believe Libby's main defense: that he hadn't lied but merely had a bad memory.

The CIA leak case focused new attention on the Bush administration's much-criticized handling of intelligence reports about weapons of mass destruction in the run-up to the Iraq war. The case cost Cheney his most trusted adviser, and the trial revealed Cheney's personal obsession with criticism of the war's justification.

Trial testimony made clear that President Bush secretly declassified a portion of the prewar intelligence estimate that Cheney quietly sent Libby to leak to Judith Miller of The New York Times in 2003 to rebut criticism by ex-ambassador Joseph Wilson. Bush, Cheney and Libby were the only three people in the government aware of the effort.

Special Prosecutor Patrick Fitzgerald

said the verdict closed the nearly four-year investigation into how the name of Wilson's wife, Valerie Plame, and her classified job at the CIA were leaked to reporters in 2003 just days after Wilson publicly accused the administration of doctoring prewar intelligence. No one will be charged with the leak itself, which the trial confirmed came first from then-Deputy Secretary of State Richard Armitage.

"The results are actually sad," Fitzgerald told reporters after the verdict. "It's sad that we had a situation where a high-level official who worked in the office of the vice president obstructed justice and lied under oath. We wish that it had not happened, but it did."

One juror, former Washington Post reporter Denis Collins, said the jurors spent a week charting the testimony and evidence on 34 poster-size pages.

"There were good managerial type people on this jury who took everything apart and put it in the right place," Collins said. "After that, it wasn't a matter of opinion. It was just there."

Libby, not only Cheney's chief of staff but also an assistant to Bush, was expressionless as the verdict was announced on the 10th day of deliberations. In the front row, his wife, Harriet Grant, choked out a sob and

her head sank.

Libby could face up to 25 years in prison when sentenced June 5, but federal sentencing guidelines will probably prescribe far less, perhaps one to three years. Defense attorneys said they would ask for a retrial and if that fails, appeal the conviction.

"We have every confidence Mr. Libby ultimately will be vindicated," defense attorney Theodore Wells told reporters. He said that Libby was "totally innocent and that he did not do anything wrong."

Libby did not speak to reporters.

The president watched news of the verdict on television at the White House. Deputy press secretary Dana Perino said Bush respected the jury's verdict but "was saddened for Scooter Libby and his family."

In a written statement, Cheney called the verdict disappointing. "As I have said before, Scooter has served our nation tirelessly and with great distinction through many years of public service."

Libby was convicted of one count of obstruction of justice, two counts of perjury to the grand jury and one count of lying to the FBI about how he learned Plame's identity and whom he told.

Libby learned about Plame from Cheney in June 2003 about a month after Wilson's allegations were first published, without his name, by

New York Times columnist Nicholas Kristof.

Prosecutors said Libby relayed the Plame information to other government officials and told reporters, Miller of the Times and Matt Cooper of Time magazine, that she worked at the CIA.

On July 6, 2003, Wilson publicly wrote that he had gone to Niger in 2002 and debunked a report that Iraq was seeking uranium there for nuclear weapons and that Cheney, who had asked about the report, should have known his findings long before Bush cited the report in 2003 as a justification for the war. On July 14, columnist Robert Novak reported that Wilson's wife worked at the CIA and she, not Cheney, had suggested he go on the trip.

When an investigation of the leak began, prosecutors said, Libby feared prosecution for disclosing classified information so he lied to investigators to make his discussions appear innocent.

Libby blamed any misstatements in his account on flaws in his memory.

He was acquitted of one count of lying to the FBI about his conversation with Cooper.

Collins said jurors agreed that on nine occasions during a short period of 2003, Libby was either told about Plame or told others about her.

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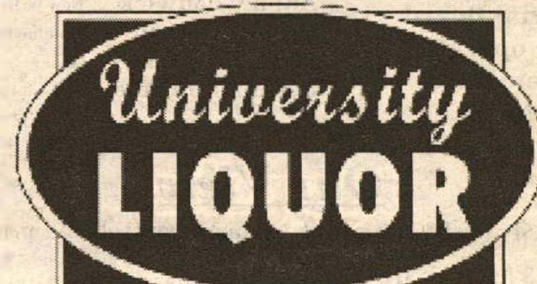
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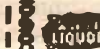


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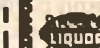


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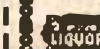


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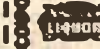


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### Our View

#### • Rise in birth control prices leave students with lack of options

College campuses are packed with 18 to 25-year-old men and women. This sexually active population is busy dealing with the stresses of tuition, grades, rent and social lives. The idea of pregnancy at this stage in life is frightening for most students who are not ready or capable to adequately raise a child. Therefore, the ever-advancing technologies surrounding birth control should be made fully available to college students at a price they can afford.

But students at UMD and campuses across the nation are paying higher prices for birth control due to the impact of the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005 (DRA). In accordance with the legislation, drug companies are no longer able to offer special pricing for universities as of the beginning of this year.

In accordance with the DRA, female students who received prescription birth control and/or contraceptives through UMD Health Services will see an extremely significant hike in their monthly cost. The prices are more than doubling for products such as Ortho Tri-Cyclen and the Nuva ring. When one considers the fact that a significant number of college students are financially constrained already, it seems outrageous to require that students pay up to double the price they have been for much needed medication. While there are certainly other forms of cheaper

birth control, the price hike unfairly reduces women's options.

The 2005 republican controlled Congress, in all its bureaucratic glory, passed the bill with the intention of saving money. While the bill helps alleviate other prescription pricing areas, it slams those who are less well-off and makes surmounting financial burdens even tougher. This battle over those who have and those who do not need to stop at the property lines of college campuses.

The American College Health Association has swiftly and correctly, sought to tackle this issue immediately. They are employing their advocacy arm to lobby Congress, according to a letter on its Web site from President Dorothy Kozlowski.

The price hike may force many students to seek contraceptives through their parents' insurance plans, through which they are covered. This means making parents aware of what should be a private decision. This unfortunate reality means that many women will choose not to buy birth control altogether or will be forced into an uncomfortable or less reliable alternative.

The possible outcome of this price impact should be obvious. The potential for an ultimate increase in unwanted pregnancies or births, Plan B purchases, abortions, inadequately prepared parents, college dropouts due to unwanted pregnancies and other results should loom over the minds of every legislator who signed the DRA.

## Welfare is here to stay

By Brian Peltier  
Statesman Staff Writer

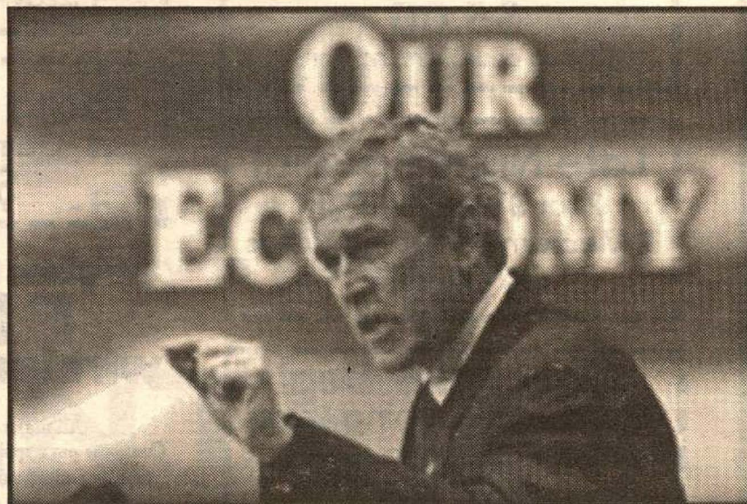
When people hear the word "welfare," the picture that comes to mind is often one of lazy beggars who don't want to bother to get a job. However, this is a system created with the best of intentions: to help the disadvantaged get a leg up or simply get by.

Welfare is a system of programs that deliver temporary aid to low-income families or citizens by means of food stamps, cash and specific goods. Candidates include those with physical and mental disabilities, dependent children or the single and working poor. Ideally, after the family or citizen is financially stable and has a steady job, they will no longer need the aid and can support themselves.

This has proven not to be the case in a lot of situations. Some who have been raised in a welfare family may later be on the same support their parents were on when they were children. With many second-generation welfare families, some feel that welfare is an inefficient system and some even feel recipients are abusing the system only to receive free money.

Many citizens feel welfare is a waste of money and carry the assumption that welfare is only an excuse or a loophole for free-loaders that wish to avoid work. However, it is not.

Picture a single mom with two children to feed, clothe and provide adequate living space for. The father left and is not contributing anything to her and the children's financial status. Affording rent is hard since she has to live in the city close to her job because she can't afford a car and instead takes the bus. Trying to raise her children the best she can, she works overtime to pay for the latch-key program her children attend while she is at work. With a minimum-wage job, three mouths to feed and clothe and rent on top of that, she cannot afford to get by and needs



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July 2002, President Bush spoke about the economy. He proposed a welfare reform that would require more recipients to have a job.

some kind of external aid.

This is one of many situations in which a welfare program is useful in our society. Other situations may range from the physically and mentally handicapped to families with dependent children.

Although welfare programs may be abused by some, there are many citizens who require some kind of government aid. Welfare may be what these people need to help them put their kids through school or to help the single mom who has two children and works 12-hour shifts—not having been able to spend any time with her children—sleep without worrying whether she'll be out on the street tomorrow.

Until minimum wage is sufficient for people to live on, there will need to be some kind of government aid. It is unreasonable to expect someone with children to afford to support them with a current minimum-wage job. With a capitalistic society, there will always be citizens who need government aid. Consequently, all we can do is edit the programs so they are the most helpful and efficient to the ones who honestly need them.

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# Arts & Entertainment

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## Mat Kearney continued from front page...

nately has a lot of soul; you could sense it and that's what caught my attention right away," said freshman Liz Strawn.

"I've never been to Duluth," commented Bulhke. "The crowd here was so quiet but attentive, I really appreciated the presence."

A quick few minutes after Sanders left the stage to overwhelming applause, on came the headliner Mat Kearney. He started his set on the piano but soon made it to his celebrated acoustic. All together he played a very solid and respectable set. His sound has a very likable quality to it that can really catch you off guard. His vocal range and acoustic quality are comparable to Chris Martin from Coldplay. That doesn't mean he is a copycat band, rather you could really hear Nashville country undertones throughout the concert. He certainly knew how to keep the crowd entertained with his laid back, organic style and his interaction between sets.

"I love his music," said junior Megan Parsons. "He has a real passion for his music that shows through and radiates to the fans, you can tell he doesn't do this for money."

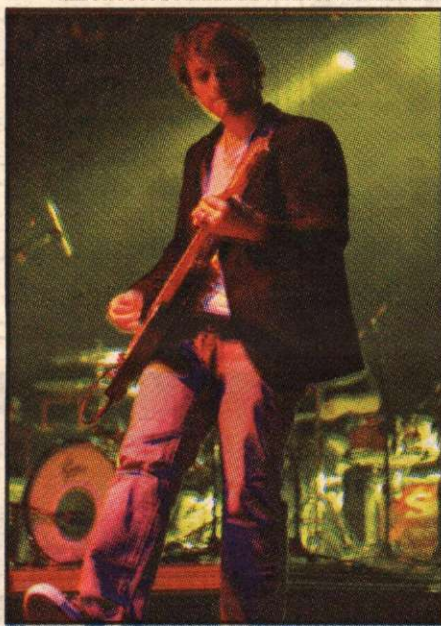
The anticipation built up until near the end of the show, right before the encore, Mat pulled out his now nationally acclaimed single "Noth-

ing Left to Lose." The show came to a close soon after but just about everyone seemed pleased.

"I really want to thank Duluth. This crowd was good; I really felt the love on stage," commented the exhausted artist after the show.

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Left: Mat Kearney playing his trademark acoustic guitar. He also plays piano, harmonica and sings.

Far Left: Twin Cities guitarist Tyler Burkum backs Kearney's acoustic with his electric.

Below: Mat Kearney upclose and personal



## Testimonials of the Vagina

By Renae Conrad  
Statesman Staff Reporter

In cultures around the world, discussions about the female body are often kept quiet or seen as inappropriate. The word "vagina" is normally flagged as improper and out of place in everyday conversation. Also, discussions about rape and sexuality aren't typically seen as imperative, common conversations.

In the past decade a movement has been started to change the way women see and talk about their bodies; college campuses have proved to play a large role in this incredible movement.

"The Vagina Monologues" are a series of monologues, some are really funny and others are really sad; it's a really great play, and the message is so important," said Linda Gokee-Rindal, freshman and past monologue performer who was so moved by her experience last year that she was motivated to bring the production to UMD.

The play was written by playwright, performer and activist Eve Ensler in 1996. Ensler wrote it from a series of interviews she conducted with 200 women about their views on sex, relationships and violence against women. Ensler wrote the play because she was worried that people don't talk about vaginas. She also wrote "The Vagina Monologues," with hopes of empowering women and ending sexual violence, according to Rindal.

The monologues are part of Ensler's movement to end the shame that women associate with their bodies and sexuality. They are a celebration of women's sexuality and a condemnation of its violation.

The play has been brought to college campuses in over 119 counties and performed in 45 different languages; they are all part of a global movement Ensler started called V-Day whose main purpose is to stop violence against women and girls and promote creative events to

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## United Men Divide 'Fanatic'

By Ron Parpart  
Statesman Staff Reporter

United Men Divide were first brought to my attention via a friend request on the online network everyone loves and/or hates, MySpace.com. The recordings were pretty low quality, and it seemed this was just a part time thing some guys whipped together. Almost a half-year later I saw them for the first time, and those first round of recordings did not do them justice.

When performing they've got an energy that any online material of theirs lacks, which is something their new release does a better job of capturing. The release date for United Men Divide's debut full-length "Fanatic" is set for March 21, and it's leaps and bounds from anything you may have heard in the past.

The CD still has crowd favorites like "Oh Mannequin" and "Happy Pills," but it also has new material that, odds are, nobody has heard before. One of the new songs that gives an idea of possible things to come is "Lucifuge Rofocale," a synth-laden track that has a heavier emphasis on guitar that all comes around in a catchy chorus.

Some songs do have a hard time keeping my attention and almost get overtaken by how catchy and predictable they

become, such as their older song "Happy Pills." Regardless of a track or two that fall into this category the CD still has a diverse sound that's sometimes easy going, sometimes loud and almost always catchy in an interesting way.

Most of the time there seems to be a lot going on in these songs, with instruments and players usually playing almost independently from each other. Aside from helping the songs maintain a unique sound, this also helps emphasize the less chaotic and almost sing-along parts. Vocals drop-in from where they were floating around, the bass lines take a break from exploring opposite ends of the fret board and guitar, drum and keys work as one.

Keys player Joel Sundstrom is excited for the upcoming release.

Their CD release show is set for March 21 in the Kirby Rafter at 10 p.m. and will more than likely follow their usual trend of keeping you entertained the entire time. In the near future you'll also be able to buy "Fanatic" at both the Electric Fetus and Disc Go Round. You can check United Men Divide out online at: [www.unitedmendivide.com](http://www.unitedmendivide.com).

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## 'Niicee'...Borat hits the shelves

By Amber Vesel  
Statesman Staff Reporter

This past Tuesday, "Borat: Cultural Learnings of America for Make Benefit Glorious Nation of Kazakhstan" was released on DVD. A recent television advertisement for the DVD release states that there are an extra 30 minutes of footage not seen in theaters. The movie, which is surrounded with controversy due to its anti-semitic and other stereotypical slurs, is sure to be one of this year's most famous, or perhaps, infamous movies.

Since November, it has been generating a huge controversial buzz. The movie's star, Sacha Baron Cohen has also made headlines as he appeared, in character, on all sorts of television shows, including Martha Stewart's daytime show. Cohen's antics have even cost one television producer her job when she booked him without actually knowing his comedy style. According to a Web site devoted to the movie during the interview Cohen interrupted a live weather report and kissed the interviewer.

A TV producer is not the only one with a hurt reputation due to the movie. A lawsuit was brought to court by two fraternity brothers, Christopher Rotunda and Justin Seay, who stated that they were duped into making racial and sexist slurs, according to the [Aceshowbiz.com](http://Aceshowbiz.com). They were suing on the grounds that their reputations were damaged in their neighborhood after the movie came out, according to [BoratCentral.com](http://BoratCentral.com). However, [Aceshowbiz.com](http://Aceshowbiz.com) states that the lawsuit was dismissed.

There is still more controversy surrounding the movie itself, which is said to include slurs against Jews, Gays and Gypsies and includes a male nude wrestling match. However Sacha Baron Cohen is actually Jewish, which might prompt some to take the movie and his antics a bit less seriously, according to an article by Sharon Waxman on the New York Times Web site.

With its infamy, "Borat" is sure to be hitting DVD players in a major way, at least for the next couple of weeks.

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## Minneapolis quartet to play at Beaners

By Dane Ryan  
Statesman Staff Reporter

Room For Gray, a well established band from the Twin Cities, had recent success in the last part of 2006 with the release of their new EP, "Moving On." It shows clear emphasis on their influences which include '90s bands such as Matchbox 20, Semisonic and the Goo Goo Dolls, among others. Throughout the five-song disc, the band

shows strong connections with these influences.

The band is a four-piece that combines soft melodies with power pop chords, which is a real ode to early emotive bands. What prevails above all else is lead singer James Gray. His lyrics are about women, heart-break and typical angst and some brighter things as well.

Room For Gray has received attention from

the Adult Alternative community and has played at great venues like the Fine Line in Minneapolis. Their music really caters to the feel good about the world music crowd.

Room For Gray will be in Duluth March 9 at Beaner's Music Café at 10 p.m. with local artist Jennifer Dalton.

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increase awareness, raise money and revitalize the spirit of existing anti-violence organizations according to [Vday.org](http://Vday.org).

"All proceeds of the play go to a women's organization that fights towards ending violence against women and girls," said Rindal. "Each production chooses a beneficiary, and we've chose PAVSA (Program for Aid to Victims of Sexual Assault). I know the title makes it seem intimidating, but it's really important to go see it especially if you know someone who has been affected by sexual violence or have been affected yourself, because it's really empowering."

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# Superior spring breaks that won't break the bank

By Matt Standal

Statesman Staff Reporter

You know it's almost time when students become stingy and save money, guys and gals flood the gym and beach bodies are reborn. That's right, spring break is almost here.

But for those of us who don't pass for college pop-culture, spring break means only one thing: outdoor adventure.

And while it's never a guarantee, staying close to Lake Superior for spring break offers truly excellent outdoor adventures at some of the cheapest rates you'll find. So pack your gear for a day, or stay overnight in a cabin or tent—no matter what, staying Superior means you win.

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## Superior Skiing and snowboarding at Lutsen Mountains:

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### The best part:

Click onto Lutsen.com for web-only deals on tickets and lodging. Here you can bag a two-day weekend ski-and-stay package for \$99. Translation: you ski, and they put you up someplace nice. Be sure to check daily, too because some specials are constantly updated.

### What you didn't know:

Minnesota's highest point, Eagle Mountain, is just a short drive from Lutsen and worth the trip. Continue on the Lutsen road past the resort and then take a left on the Caribou Trail (Cook County Road 4) until you reach Forest Service Road 170. From here turn right and go the last three miles to Eagle Mountain. Total Distance: 25 miles

## Superior adventures in Grand Marais and the Gunflint Trail:

For big groups of friends, the little town of Grand Marais and the Gunflint Trail add up to a spring break bonanza. First, get pizza and beer at Sven and Ole's in Grand Marais. Next, wind your way through the Superior National Forest or the Boundary Waters Canoe Area (BWCA) on the Gunflint's paved two-lane road (Cook County Road 12). Here nature abounds, and you can access some of the best hiking, snowshoeing and cross country skiing Minnesota has to offer. Park your car at the Gunflint Lodge and then jump on the area's 200 kilometers of groomed ski trails. If you've got plenty of dough, you can get a swank room here at the end of the day too.

### The best part:

With cheap places to stay in town, Grand Marais is an ideal base of operations. Get rooms at the Super 8 for \$60 during the week and arrange day trips to different hiking, snowshoeing or ski trails. With Duluth bands regularly playing at the local Gunflint Tavern, there's even nightlife here!

### What you didn't know:

The Holiday station in Grand Marais sells detailed maps of the Gunflint Trail for a few dollars. They also sell Minnesota cross country ski passes. Both of these are a must if you plan on slicing up Pincushion Mountain, the Banadad Ski Trail or the Upper Gunflint ski trails.

## Superior road trip to Michigan's Keweenaw Peninsula:

For serious snow, everyone knows you can't beat Michigan. Averaging 270+ inches per year, the state's spectacular Keweenaw Peninsula is definitely worth the five hour drive. First zoom across Northern Wisconsin and into Michigan's "U.P." When you hit the Keweenaw, you'll find two downhill ski resorts, four state parks, dozens of cross country ski tracks and over 200 miles of snowmobile trails. Here the opportunities are too many to list. Visit [www.keweenaw.info](http://www.keweenaw.info) for directions and info.

### The best part:

With 88 mostly expert runs, Mt. Bohemia features "rocky mountain caliber" skiing and snowboarding—in Michigan. Tickets are \$42. Here they don't groom the trails; there are plenty of trees and cliffs, and you can rent trailside cabins for \$105. [www.mountbohemia.com](http://www.mountbohemia.com)

### What you didn't know:

On Saturday, March 10, Mt. Bohemia throws its annual Mardi-Gras Party. Coincidentally, this also happens to be UMD's first full day of spring break. You draw the conclusions. There'll be cash prizes for the most Mardi-Gras beads, lots of booze and oh yeah, the longest runs and deepest powder in the Midwest.



Have a fun and safe  
Spring Break!

# student life



Thursday, March 8, 2007

## St. Patrick's Day, the truthful way

By Anne Davis &  
Julie Rauscher  
Statesman Staff Reporters

Here in America, we have created our own St. Patrick's Day beliefs and traditions in the name of Irish culture. The holiday was first recognized only as a holy day in Ireland. Catholics were required to attend mass, and all pubs were closed, according to Wikipedia. Immigrants brought St. Patrick's Day to the United States in the 1700s.

Currently, the New York parade is the largest St. Patrick's Day parade in the world, outside of Ireland. Across America, there are curious traditions associated with this religious holiday such as dyeing everything from beer to hair

to the Chicago River green.

Americans also commercialize the holiday with symbols, such as leprechauns. We associate these little fellows with marshmallowy breakfast cereal and cute grandpa-esque smiling figures, but a more realistic depiction can be found in the 'Leprechaun' horror films.

When asked what comes to mind when he thinks of Leprechauns, freshman Jess Meehl had a different idea.

"I think of a green guy with a shamrock hanging from his hat, orange hair and a rough, spunky attitude," said Meehl.

Quite the opposite, Leprechauns were notoriously bad-tempered spirits known for causing mischief, according to the St. Patrick's traditions Web site.

In traditional Irish mythology, it is said that they have pots of gold located at the end of a rainbow, which must be relinquished if a human catches them. However, leprechauns are infamous for their trickery and can only be held in captivity if the captors do not

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WARM WORDS ON A  
COLD EVENING,  
A FULL MOON ON A  
DARK NIGHT,  
AND THE ROAD  
DOWNHILL ALL THE  
WAY TO YOUR DOOR."

-TRADITIONAL IRISH  
BLESSING

release the creature from their gaze. Furthermore once caught, a leprechaun will do its best to mislead, injure or cheat its captor. If a human is successful in getting a leprechaun's gold, the leprechaun is likely to come back later for violent revenge.

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"MAY YOUR GLASS BE  
EVER FULL.  
MAY THE ROOF OVER  
YOUR HEAD BE ALWAYS  
STRONG.  
AND MAY YOU BE HALF  
AN HOUR IN HEAVEN  
BEFORE THE DEVIL  
KNOWS YOU'RE DEAD."

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TOAST

## Burrito joint to open on Fourth Street

By Lisa Kunkel  
Statesman Staff Reporter

A week from Saturday, Duluth's burrito lovers are in luck. Burrito Union, a new restaurant opening mid-month is expected to give the city a taste of something they haven't yet experienced.

The Burrito Union will be providing a large array of burritos, healthy food options including homemade soups, fresh veggies and homemade salsas, and it will also feature a bar, according to owner Rod Raymond. It will be located in the renovated Whole Foods Co-op building on Fourth Street, just a short distance from the UMD campus.

"You're really going to have to work hard to have an unhealthy meal here," Raymond said.

Raymond has already entertained Duluth with Fitger's Brewhouse and the Red Star club. He is now broadening his line of work in hopes that Burrito Union, too, will be a success in the city.

Raymond said the new restaurant can definitely be compared but isn't identical to Chipotle, a popular burrito chain that Duluth does not have.

"The differences are that the Burrito Union will have a bar and menu items so people can sit down and order," said Raymond.

The Burrito Union will be serving a variety of traditional, English Session style ales, including Light House Golden, Mariner Mild, Tug Boat Stout, Apricot Wheat, Chester Creek Pale and a hot-pepper infused beer named Hombre.

Many may recognize these original beers from the Brewhouse where they are also

## An exploration of the south island in eight days

By Erin Minor  
Statesman Staff Writer

Kiwis might wonder if you're crazy and tell you that you are going to need at least a month to spend exploring, but seeing much of New Zealand's south island can be done in eight days. Here are some of the things you must do.

•Take the ferry from Wellington. It's absolutely amazing to watch the sunset as you go through the Queen Charlotte Sound. You can see orcas and dolphins follow the ship when you leave Picton for the North Island. Sure, flying is shorter, but the ferry ride is fun. Plus, if the weather is bad and the scenery isn't up to snuff, there is always the movie theater on board.

•Wander around in Picton. They have some cool shops and cafés. The Dog and Frog Café has great food. Try the roast of the day. The Harbor is beautiful as well and is a good place to relax before you begin your adventures.

•Play around in Christchurch. The Cathedral Square is amazing. There are tons of shops and malls surrounding it. You can shop to your heart's content and with the U.S. dollar worth more than the NZ, you'll do fine. Just beyond the shops is North Hagley Park; a botanical garden worth the visit.

•On your way to Dunedin, stop at the Moeraki Boulders. Perfectly round, they are a perfect place to stop and play in the ocean. The café by the path asks for a \$2 donation for help with conserving the

boulders.

•You have to go to at least two places in Dunedin. One is free, the other costs \$20 and is worth it. First, head to Baldwin Street and walk up it. Since it's the steepest street in the world, it might take awhile. If you are really adventurous, you could drive up it. The second is the Cadbury Chocolate Factory. You get to see the chocolate being made, the thousands upon thousands of boxes in the warehouse and snack on the free chocolate



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Erin Minor visits a hand statue in Wanaka.

that's handed out.

•You can do anything in Queenstown. Shop, barhop (there's even a bar made of

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## LEPRECHAUN

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chauns as friendly," said freshman Chelsea Volken. "I scoff at the fact they're not."

Another common symbol associated with the 17th of March is the shamrock. Irish legend has it that St. Patrick used the three leaves of the clover plant (there is actually no plant called a shamrock, that term was derived from the Gaelic word for clover) to symbolize the Father, Son and Holy Spirit existing as one in the Holy Trinity.

"I think green represents St. Patty's Day," said freshman Julie Albrecht. "I wear that on the day, but that's about it."

Although St. Patrick is the patron saint of Ireland, he was not an Irishman. He was born in Wales and captured at the age of 16 by a band of marauders who were raiding his village, according to CatholicForum.com. He was then sold into slavery in Ireland where he lived as a shepherd for six years until God allegedly came to him in a dream and convinced him to escape. He walked 200 miles to the coast and then sailed to freedom in Europe. He later returned to Ireland as a missionary and is credited with bringing Catholicism to Ireland.

St. Patty's is recognized as a religious holiday to some.

"I'm Catholic; I don't celebrate the way most people do," said Meehl. "I plan on going to mass."

For others though, the holiday centers around celebrating.

"I've celebrated in Maplelakes where there is a big get together with a parade," said senior Karessa Kornick. "They block off parts of the town."

March 17 is an approximation of the anniversary of St. Patrick's death. Another possible reason this holiday has become popular is it takes place just a few days before the beginning of spring.

Although our so-called traditions are somewhat inaccurate, St. Patrick's day is a happy-go-lucky holiday and should be held and celebrated as such.

"I plan on doing what I usually do on St. Patrick's Day," said Korneck. "Going to the bar and drinking green beer."

# Winter arrives late, hits hard

By Julie Rauscher & Danielle Tideman

Statesman Staff Reporters

Last Thursday's storm introduced Duluth to the winter it had been missing for the past few months. Unfortunately, it arrived just a few weeks before the first official day of spring.

The reaction of the community was varied. While students looked forward to a day of relaxation, others rushed to the store to pull food off the shelves before they were snowed in their house for the weekend.

Suzanne Miller, a part time employee at the UMD Stores, said she made it to the store Wednesday evening.

"I was in a panic because I didn't know what to buy," said Miller.

With UMD closing at 2 p.m. last Thursday, students were able to look forward to a very long weekend. In the past four years, UMD has only closed down due to weather conditions for two and a half

days.

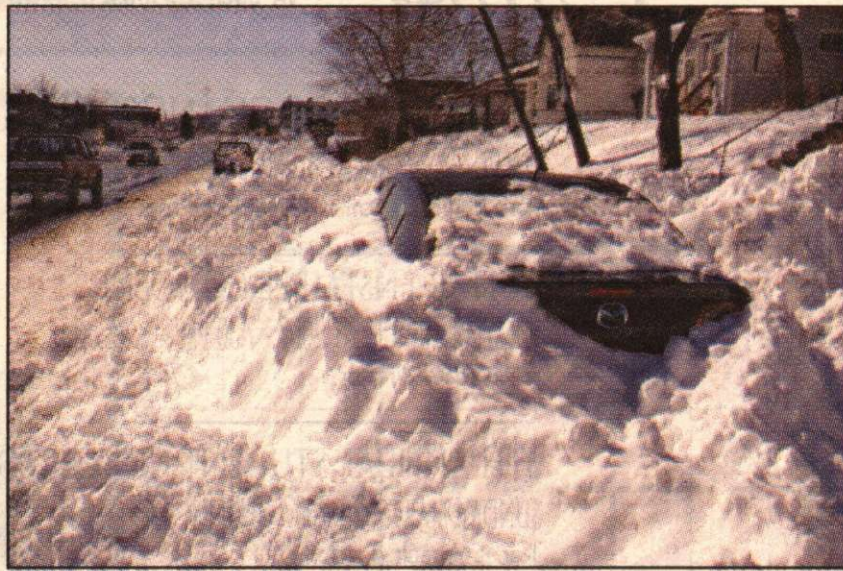
"We went sledding at Chester Bowl," said junior Justin Fuentes. "When we tried to buy sleds, there weren't any left anywhere, so we bought little kids watertubes."

Even though many were able to enjoy their break, some didn't get the chance to get out.

"I had to work at school until 4:30 p.m. on Thursday," said junior Dana Lundquist. "We couldn't get our cars out on Friday, so we just stayed in all day."

That action was shared by many who found that the snow drifts and unplowed roads kept them inside longer than they might have liked.

"I have one daughter who is still in high school," said



JUSTIN SORESEN/STATESMAN

A car remains buried under a fresh pile of snow on London Road on Saturday.

Miller. "She thought we'd take the day to go out and play, but instead we got to do taxes and FAFSA forms."

Whether or not the memories of the snowy weekend will stay with you, you can be sure that the snow will stick

around longer than it is welcome.

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ice), go to fancy restaurants, paraglide, parachute, skydive, bungee jump, jet boat, paddle boat, ride the gondola, hike and pan for gold at Arrowtown. You want it, Queenstown's got it. I highly recommend the Shot Over Jet Boat. It costs \$99 for 45 minutes of pure adrenaline rush.

• As nice as Queenstown is, I prefer its quieter neighbor an hour away. Still close enough to visit Queenstown, Wanaka offers a beautiful lake to swim in, big statues to see and an amazingly puzzling museum. If you like puzzles and tricks of the mind, you need to visit Puzzling World.

• Along the west coast, you can experience natural beauty. The scenery is what draws you in with its mountains, waterfalls and glaciers. You can see them all on your way up to Nelson.

I by no means did everything you could do. But you can. The North Island is beautiful and full of amazing people. The real thrill seeker will head south for the ultimate adventures.



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Baldwin Street, the steepest street in the world, stretches out in Dunedin on the south island of New Zealand. The road is 350 meters long and rises at 19 degrees, according to Wikipedia.

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they are also served.

Raymond hopes to draw college students to the restaurant and said it will have a "super cool environment."

Raymond also said the restaurant will have "really great service, a really great atmosphere and low prices," all of which should catch the eye of anyone with a big appetite and small budget.

The Burrito Union will also be open long hours.

"We're doing breakfast," Raymond said. "We're open morning and late night."

Raymond said that though the Burrito Union will include a bar, he is looking for it to have more of a restaurant-like atmosphere where families can also enjoy a nice meal together.

"It will be a great place to go with a group of friends," Raymond said.

Sophomore Allise Wuorio said she is looking forward to the new restaurant opening up.

"I think it will be a great place to get an authentic burrito," Wuorio said. "I don't really like Taco Bell or Taco Johns, so I think this will be really great for Duluth."

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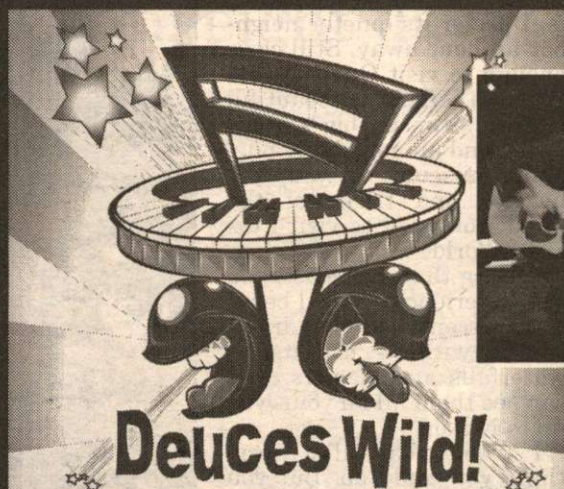
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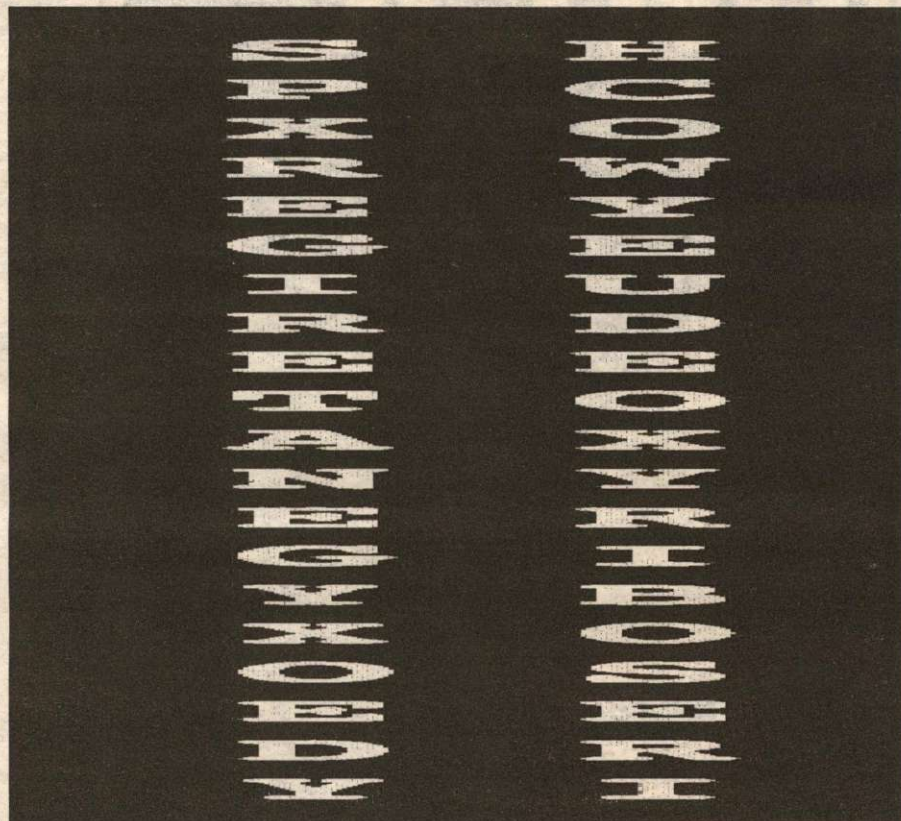
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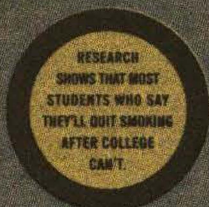
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When I'm at the bar I like to smack myself in the face a few times with a good claw hammer. So what? Who am I hurting? Or the other day I was walking along with Joe and he pulled out a shiny ball-peen model. Man, we just want to town with that baby. But what of it? I don't plan on being one of those life-long hammerers. I'll just quit after I graduate by tapering off with some of those small rubber mallets.





# Outdoors

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## Boarding opportunities endless after storm



LUKE KAVAJECZ/STATESMAN

Laddie Strzok, senior, boosts an air off a quarter pipe in his yard while Eric Atkinson, junior, looks on. Recent snowfall has made Duluth and the surrounding area one big ski hill. Plowed up piles of snow are getting carved out and made into quarter pipes and hip jumps. The new snow has also made it possible to hike some of Duluth's rugged terrain along Skyline Drive and around the Bagley Nature Area behind Oakland Apartments.

## Top five panfish lakes to vist for spring break

By Tim Naegeli  
Statesman Staff Reporter

With the walleye season now closed and spring break upon us, here are five Minnesota panfish lakes that would be worth your gas money:

### 1. Lake Winnibigoshish

If you have never fished for jumbo perch on Winnibigoshish before, you are missing out. Fish weighing over a pound are common and can be found in a number of locations, so it is important to stay mobile. Try a gold jig tipped with a minnow over gravel mixed with weeds, mud flats or similar hard bottom structures—deep or shallow.

### 2. Lake Minnewaska

If bluegills are what you prefer, 7,110-acre Lake Minnewaska in Glenwood is your ticket. Get on the ice at the public access on the west end of the lake and move to

the shallow water towards the south. A Mega Glow Demon jig tipped with a wax worm should give you a chance to catch a wide selection of sunfish as well as a few crappies.

### 3. Upper Red Lake

The crappie fishing on this large northwest Minnesota lake is legendary. With 107,000 acres of water, there are always fish to be found, but it pays to be mobile. Use flashy lures or big spoons about a foot above a live bait setup as an attractor, and never hang around one spot for more than an hour.

### 4. German Lake

If you prefer a smaller, more manageable body of water, German Lake is perfect for you. About ten miles northeast of Mankato, German Lake is a popular crappie destination and also has a history of producing big bluegills. The southern end

is where you should concentrate on fishing. Start drilling holes in about 30 feet of water and continue south in a straight line until you hit the weed line at about 13-15 feet.

### 5. Linwood Lake

If you live in the Twin Cities area, 560-acre Linwood Lake in Anoka County is worth a visit. Drill holes around the point on the northwest end of the lake, or near the adjacent deep water. Try tiny jigs with maggots to trigger both crappies and bluegills.

With the recent snowfall, be prepared for local conditions and print off-lake maps from the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources Web site. It may not be Mexico or Florida, but try one of these lakes over break, and there's a good chance you will have a tale to tell, too.

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## A classical sport with a frozen twist

By Dave Costello  
Statesman Staff Reporter

It's finally snowed in Duluth, and it's wonderfully soft, white and waiting to be skied on. The ice on the streams is thick, determinedly hard and finally covered by snow.

It's a perfect opportunity to try stream skiing. The steeper grade and continually changing scenery offers an incredibly exhilarating alternative to the normal groomed ski trails.

"Stream skiing rocks about this much," said senior Sonia Simeone, as she held her hands about two meters apart.

Many streams in Duluth can be skied with classical cross-country skis, but a few people choose to use telemark skis on the more difficult runs so that they can turn more effectively.

Although stream skiing adds an exhilarating twist to a classical sport, there is an element of danger. However, the recent snowfall has softened the harder side of the sport.

"With a significant amount of powder, sure, stream skiing can be relatively benign," said Paul Syverson, a sophomore stream skier. "Just be smart about it."

It's pretty simple to stay safe. Like every other outdoor activity, it's important to do it with other people, just in case something goes wrong. Also, make yourself aware of the dangers associated with stream skiing. If there's a sudden steep drop, look over the edge before you go down, and maybe, even decide not to go down if it looks too heinous.

The Miller, Chester and Tischer creeks all offer great beginner to intermediate riding opportunities right here in Duluth. If you choose to head out with an experienced stream skier, make sure that you spot your lines before you commit to them.

So if you're itching to step your cross-country skiing up a notch, or if you're just looking to try something completely different, it's a great time to grab the old cross-country skis and scoot on down one of the many beautiful streams to be found in and around Duluth.

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# Campus Briefs & Classifieds

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## Campus Briefs

**VCASSL Finalist Campus Visits**  
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Affairs, Millersville University; 12:00 - 1:15 Lunch with Selected Students; 2:00 - 2:45 Presentation to Campus/ Campus Forum (ABAH 225) Topic: retention and graduation strategies; 3:45 - 4:30 Meet with ASSL Staff (Rafters). As you participate in events surrounding his visit, we would welcome your comments. Feedback sheets will be available at each event. If you have aware of students who will be in town during break and would like to attend the lunch meeting, please contact Betty Greene at 726-7102.

**Representative to the Board of Regents Applications** are now available in the Student Association Office. Which is located in Kirby Student Center room 115. Representative to the Board of Regents involves a student who travels to the regents meetings in Minnesota and they deal with issues that are of concerned with the entire campus. If you have any further questions regarding this position, please come into the student association office and someone will be able to answer your questions.

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**Wednesday, March 21**, WRAC Brown Bag, Speaker TBA, 12:00 Noon in Kirby Student Center 268

**Wednesday, March 21**, AFA Meeting-Help with Disability Crash Course in KSC 268 at 4:30-5:30pm.

**Wednesday, March 28**, WRAC Brown Bag, 12:00 Noon in Kirby Student Center 268, Speaker Dr. Cindy Christian, "Changes in the Role of Women in the United States Politics"

**Wednesday, March 28**, AFA Meeting-Help with Disability Crash Course in KSC 268 at 4:30-5:30pm.

**Thursday, March 29**, Women's History Month Keynote Speaker: Dr. Ann Russo, "Feminism, Privilege and the Politics of Accountability" Chemistry 200, 7:00 p.m. Reception will follow after her lecture.

**Thursday, March 29**, Film: TBA, Rafters 11:30 am.

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9	7	3	2	6	1	8	4	5
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1	8	7	3	9	6	4	5	2
3	4	9	5	1	2	7	6	8
5	9	2	4	7	3	1	8	6
7	3	1	6	5	8	9	2	4
4	6	8	1	2	9	5	3	7

### Sudoku #5

1	7	8	3	2	4	9	5	6
4	2	5	7	6	9	1	8	3
9	3	6	1	5	8	4	7	2
6	5	7	4	3	2	8	9	1
2	9	4	5	8	1	6	3	7
3	8	1	6	9	7	2	4	5
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## UMD student has some questions

By Ted Norgaard  
Statesman Staff Writer

After being in college for four years, you learn a lot. I mean, most likely I'm smarter than everyone here, except for all those people who have been here for five years. Being as smart as I am isn't as great as it sounds. Unfortunately having boy-genius-like brain abilities has its draw-backs. Questions with no logical answers are incredibly difficult to deal with. Here are a couple quagmires that made me fall off the wagon and start sniffing permanent markers again...

March is here and St. Patrick's Day is right around

the corner. Before we celebrate this drunkest of holidays, we have to ask ourselves one question: At what point did being Irish become cool? I mean if eating potatoes, Catholicism and beating your significant other is cool, count me out.

School was canceled last Friday due to mass amounts of snowfall. I've been at UMD awhile, and school has never been canceled because of snowfall. It was canceled once because

some snow caused a power outage my freshman year, but that doesn't count.

What made this snowstorm so different from others, and why cancel school and ruin such a stellar streak? Furthermore, is there someone I should suck

off for the day-and-a-half cancellation of school?



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Why is it that UMD accepts more and more incoming freshmen every year, while simultaneously reducing the overall amount of student parking? What sort of twisted game of musical chairs are they making us play? I swear to Ja, if I ever catch those responsible for this they *will* receive a donkey punch for this!

And how come there are so many hippies at UMD that don't do drugs? It's one thing if they're high: Then it's kind of funny. But what sober person would want to smell like shit, constantly say "man" or "dude," listen to crappy music, all while shoelessly hating on President Bush.

Lastly, disagreeing with me only proves you are not as smart as me. Sorry to be so painfully blunt. Also any sexual favors mentioned in the context above will not actually be performed. Unless a deer carcass is presented to me the next time I go to Superior.

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## Letters to People

By Stephen Jacobs  
Statesman Staff Writer

Dear Clip Show Writers,

You're lazy! There I said it. I mean, seriously, how hard is it to come up with something fresh each week instead of regurgitating old material? Rappers already do such a great job with that; where could you possibly improve upon it anyway?

Sure, you might say there are artfully done clip shows. Sure, they give viewers new and old ways to relive past occurrences in their favorite program. Sure, I'm being reeal fresh and original writing to purveyors of clip shows. These are all valid points,

and to that I say, go suck a lemon. Oh, and that extra 'e' in "real" was not a typo.

So there, it was either this or a letter to Sam Walton asking him why he enjoyed eating babies so much. And, yes, he is in fact deceased, but death is not a proven cure for baby consumption.

In closing, stay tuned for my upcoming segment featuring the best of my works over the past few weeks. Wait, who am I writing this letter to again? Always Thinking of You, Stephen Marcellus Jacobs

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## TOPTEN

### Porno Names I Could Go By

By Eric Simon  
Statesman Staff Writer

10. James Earl Bones
9. Leonardo Denakedo
8. Donald Hump
7. Brad Hitt That
6. SpongeBob Nopants
5. 69 Cent
4. Conan O'Bangin
3. Boner Simpson
2. The Big Dipper
1. Thrustin Timberlake

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## TEE-TIME

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being in the Hall of Fame, it's important for parents to provide a realistic path for them as well.

The large majority of kids that play in youth sports programs will not play that sport professionally in the future. Most of these kids will not be Heisman Trophy finalists or even play college ball, let alone high school ball. Parents often forget to realize that athletic programs are extracurricular activities. Children's education is more important than their baseball team's record.

When kids are pushed so hard to succeed in athletics, their education and other parts of their life are overlooked, which can lead them with false hopes of becoming a professional athlete, leaving them with little to fall back on.

It is OK for parents to push their kids to work hard and stay active while involved in an athletic program.

Athletic programs are structured activities that do teach kids a lot about responsibility as well as teamwork.

If children are not doing their part on the team or are

not acting responsibly whether it be on the ice, the field or the court, it is OK for parents to acknowledge that.

It becomes a problem when kids are playing to the best of their ability, and parents are still criticizing them.

These parents spend too much time writing down statistics and striving to be ranked No. 1 and too little time encouraging their children to play hard with an understanding of the game.

Most of all they forget to tell them to have fun playing the sport they love.

Parents need to think before they act.

Before getting out of control and screaming at their kid for missing a lay-up, parents need to think and understand that their actions will likely only embarrass themselves and their children.

Youth athletic programs do everything to keep children active and out of trouble. They provide a social environment where kids learn to work together, a quality very important in succeeding in life.

Parents need to understand that there is more to success than winning.

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## KINESIS

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## DOGS

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weakness was the power-play," said Tuominen. "Late-ly we've scored many goals on the power-play."

The game remained tied at the end of regulation and at 1:08 into overtime Gigi Marvin scored on a power-play to send the Gophers to the WCHA championship.

"Any overtime is tough," said Sales. "We thought we played well. It was equal through the first couple periods. It was a hard loss."

With the loss against the Gophers behind them, the Bulldogs (22-10-4) now must

prepare for Mercyhurst (32-1-3) who were the top ranked team in the country for much of the season.

"We need to be relaxed, confident about ourselves, move the puck really well and play good defense," said Tuominen.

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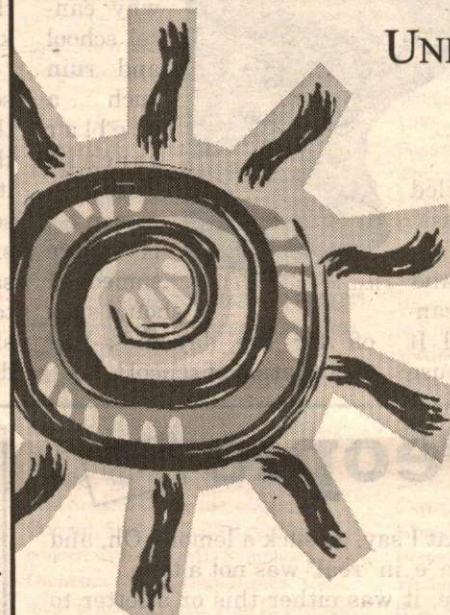
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### SPORTS SCHEDULE

#### MEN'S HOCKEY

WHAT: WCHA PLAYOFFS

WHO: ST. CLOUD STATE

WHEN: MARCH 9-11 @ 7:07 P.M.

WHERE: ST. CLOUD, MINN.

#### WOMEN'S HOCKEY

WHAT: NCAA REGIONAL TOURNAMENT

WHO: MERCYHURST

WHEN: MARCH 9 @ 6 P.M.

WHERE: ERIE, PA.



#### BASEBALL

MARCH 13	U. OF CHARLESTON (2)	FT. MYERS, FL	8 A.M.
MARCH 14	ST. LEO (2)	ST. LEO, FL	12 P.M.
MARCH 15	MANSFIELD (2)	FT. MYERS, FL	8 A.M.
MARCH 17	LOCK HAVEN (2)	FT. MYERS, FL	8 A.M.
MARCH 18	HILLSDALE COLLEGE (2)	FT. MYERS, FL	3 P.M.
MARCH 19	MINNESOTA TWINS FARMHANDS	FT. MYERS, FL	12 P.M.

#### SOFTBALL

MARCH 10	SAINT JOSEPH'S COLLEGE	ORLANDO, FL	1 P.M.
MARCH 10	SOUTHERN INDIAN	ORLANDO, FL	5 P.M.
MARCH 11	INDIANA UNIVERSITY	ORLANDO, FL	1 P.M.
MARCH 11	PHILADELPHIA COLLEGE	ORLANDO, FL	9 A.M.
MARCH 13	EAST STROUDSBURG STATE	ORLANDO, FL	11 A.M.
MARCH 13	NEW HAVEN	ORLANDO, FL	3 P.M.
MARCH 14	INDIANAPOLIS	ORLANDO, FL	11 A.M.
MARCH 14	SHIPPENSBURG UNIVERSITY	ORLANDO, FL	3 P.M.
MARCH 15	ALDEPHI UNIVERSITY	ORLANDO, FL	1 P.M.
MARCH 15	TIFFIN UNIVERSITY	ORLANDO, FL	5 P.M.
MARCH 17	LOCK HAVEN UNIVERSITY	ORLANDO, FL	11 A.M.
MARCH 17	INDIANA UNIVERSITY	ORLANDO, FL	9 A.M.
MARCH 18	CALDWELL COLLEGE (2)	ORLANDO, FL	1 P.M.

### RECENT RESULTS

#### MEN'S HOCKEY

MARCH 2 UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

DULUTH, MN L 1-3

MARCH 3 UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

DULUTH, MN T 0-0

RECORD: 12-19-5

#### WOMEN'S HOCKEY

MARCH 3 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

MINNEAPOLIS, MN L 2-3

RECORD: 22-10-4

#### MEN'S BASKETBALL

FEB. 28 UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA

DULUTH, MN W 85-63

MARCH 3 UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA VERMILION, S.D. L 56-60

RECORD: 16-13

#### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

FEB. 28 ST. CLOUD STATE

DULUTH, MN W 83-79

MARCH 3 UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA GRAND FORKS, N.D. L 54-74

RECORD: 15-14

#### TENNIS

MARCH 3 MSU-MOOREHEAD

DULUTH, MN W 9-0

MARCH 3 MSU-MANKATO

DULUTH, MN W 7-1

RECORD: 9-2

#### BASEBALL

MARCH 6 MSU-MANKATO

MINNEAPOLIS, MN

L, 2-3

MARCH 6 MSU-MANKATO

MINNEAPOLIS, MN

L, 4-8

RECORD: 2-6

#### SOFTBALL

FEB. 25 MSU-MOOREHEAD

ST. CLOUD, MN

L, 2-6

FEB. 25 SOUTHWEST MINNESOTA STATE

ST. CLOUD, MN

L, 0-4

RECORD: 1-3





By Tajen Stockdale  
Statesman Staff Reporter

## •Parents are getting too involved with their kids athletics

On Feb. 15, Ray Hoffman, father of an 11-year-old boy engaged in a youth wrestling match, was caught on film entering the mat as his son was about to be pinned, throwing his son's opponent off of the mat and off of his son. Hoffman then proceeded to walk towards the cameraman in an accomplished fashion. Hoffman later said, he regretted what he did, and he was embarrassed by his actions that have caught the national eye.

However, the damage was done. Hoffman's actions present a situation that has become far too common in youth sports: over-competitive and out-of-control parents.

# Tee-time with Tajen

The problem is that, too often parents are trying to live vicariously through their children. Parents who at one time played in a sport, try to push their kids to become successful. Often times, this is because they want to see their children succeed and have fun. But other times, parents are trying to gain their own personal pride through their children's accomplishments. It is when parents do this that the original objectives of athletic youth programs are forgotten.

Youth sports programs are designed to provide kids with a structured activity where they can make friends, get exercise, build social skills and work as a team. Competition, though necessary in sports entertainment, replaces the objective of youth sports when parents get

too involved and go too far.

In 2002, Jim Wilson received wounds requiring over 100 stitches by Robert Fleming after a youth baseball game. Both men were fathers of kids on opposing teams. Fleming was said to have yelled derogatory names at the opposing team sparking a confrontation between the two men after the game. The men began fighting when Fleming pulled a knife and left Wilson with wounds on his face and back.

In July 2000, Thomas Junta and Michael Costin were watching their sons play hockey when an argument broke out concerning the level of checking going on during the game. The brawl that ensued left Costin dead and Junta with a ten-year sentence.

Incidences like those do nothing to guide our youth in the right direction or to provide an example of acceptable behavior. It only provides an embarrassing and occasionally devastating time for these kids to go through. When the competitive nature parents hold boils over, tragic events can occur.

The fact is that people in general are competitive, especially in sports. Fans of sports take great pride in their favorite team. Fans talk about their favorite team as though they are a players on the squad, using the term "we" instead of "them" or "they." It is understandable that parents would want their kids to succeed and take pride in their success. But the win-at-all-costs attitude that parents sometimes give their kids provides very poor guidance.

While kids will always dream of becoming professional athletes and

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## Seniors' last run in the WCHA playoffs



LARAMIE CARLSON/STATESMAN

Bryan McGregor looks to put the puck past Wisconsin's goalie.

By Eric Johnson  
 Statesman Staff Reporter

For the seniors on the Bulldog men's hockey team this weekend was the last hoorah, as the regular season came to a close against Wisconsin at the DECC.

Bryan McGregor, Josh Johnson, Jeff McFarland and Ryan Geris suited up for the final time as Bulldog hockey players.

"It hasn't really hit me yet that this is the end of the line here," said McGregor. "I think it won't really hit until the team meets after the season for meetings and workouts, and I will no longer be a part of that."

UMD lost the first game of the series with Wisconsin and managed to skate to a 0-0 tie in the second.

The shutout was the second of the season for Johnson a senior goaltender.

Although a tie is not what the team was looking for, there is still a sense of pride in not taking a loss in the final game.

"I think it was nice to go out and at least get a tie," said McGregor. "I know all of us were pulling for a win, but we knew it would be a tight game and glad to have come out with

at least a tie."

Now that the season has come to a close the team can start looking forward to a playoff run.

This gives the seniors one last chance to make it a special year for Bulldog hockey.

"I think this team is a sleeping volcano," said McGregor. "We are ready to go off at any moment. We have (much) untapped talent and (our) offensive power is deceiving when looking at our record. We could easily put together a nice little run and really turn some heads."

Confidence will be a key to any potential playoff run the team will put together.

The Bulldogs will enter the playoffs as the No. 9 seed and obvious underdog against the St. Cloud State Huskies.

As for the long term future of the team, the players believe they have the right mix of guys and are poised for big things.

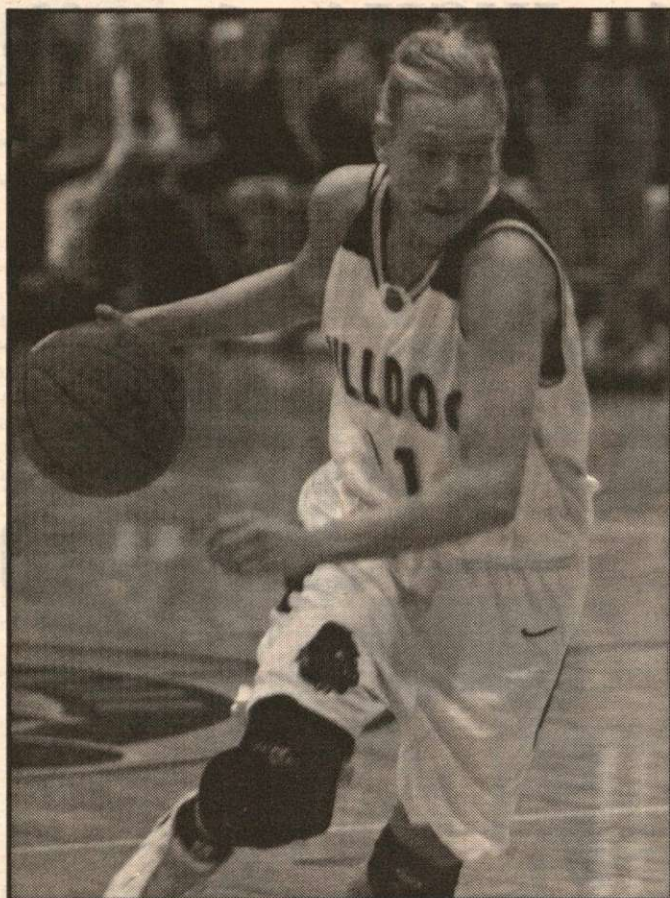
"I think the future looks bright for our team," said McGregor. "I think we are due to make a big impact in the league."

For the seniors, the future is now as they look to make a strong push through the playoffs.

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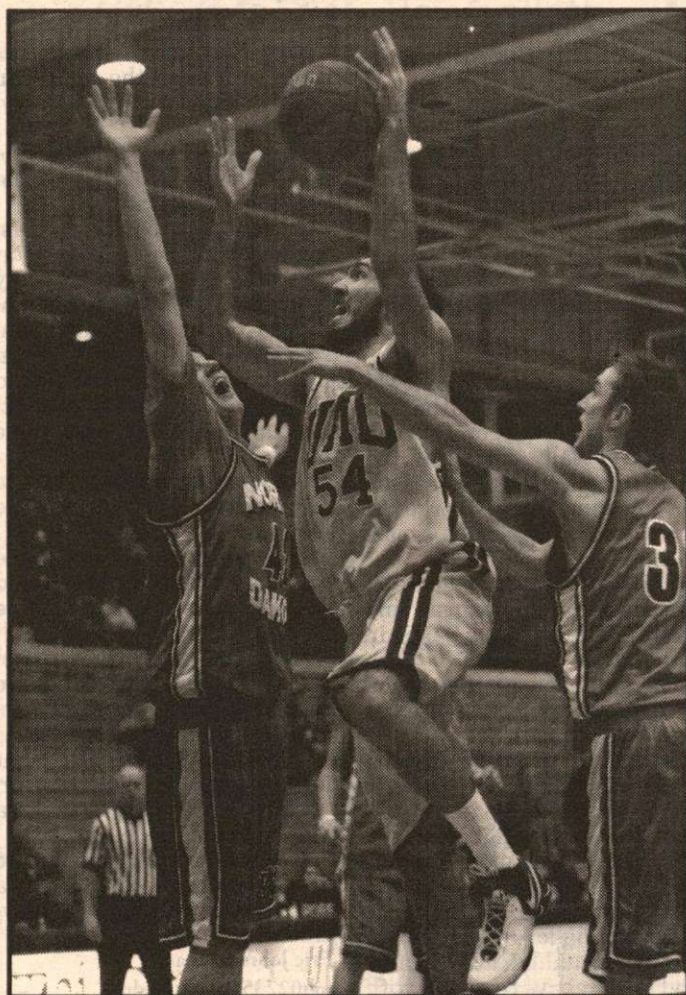


# Dakotas end Bulldogs' post-season for both squads



LARAMIE CARLSON/STATESMAN

Above: Katy Freeman drives towards the lane in the Bulldogs' final home game. Below: Matt Rawley is double teamed as he works for a basket in the paint in his final home game.



LARAMIE CARLSON/STATESMAN

By Jud Turk  
Statesman Staff Reporter

Both UMD Bulldog basketball teams ended their season in the semi-final round of the North Central Conference (NCC) playoffs last Saturday.

The men's team lost in a close battle against the University of South Dakota 56-60.

Top scorers for the Bulldogs were Jordan Nuness and

John Vaudreuil with 15 points apiece.

Lead scorer for UMD, Bryan Foss, was held to just seven points in the contest, but he led the team in rebounds with 10.

The Bulldogs finished their season 16-13 after winning seven games in a row in February.

The women's team was handed a heavier loss when they were beaten by North

Dakota 54-74.

Katie Winkelman led the Bulldogs with 30 points and 12 rebounds in her final game for UMD.

The women finished with a record of 15-14 overall and a fourth place finish in the NCC.

Foss, Winkelman and Justine Axtell were all named to the All-NCC team.

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# Kinesis: a new way to train

By Curt Sahli  
Statesman Guest Contributor

If you're one of the 4,000 or so people who venture through the new fitness facility every week, there is a good chance that you've seen it. Maybe you still don't know what it is or what it's for. It's called Kinesis, and although it looks tame, don't be fooled.

No other college or university in the country has this equipment, so it's a rare opportunity for UMD students and faculty to take advantage of.

This versatile equipment is capable of joint-friendly, light resistance, muscle toning workouts but packs the punch to humble the fittest among us in less than half an hour. You can: pull, push, press, kick, crunch, squat, jump, "fly," extend, curl, abduct, adduct, twist, lunge, slalom, row, "superstar" and more.

Since our bodies become used to a repetitive workout style, we need to change it up once in a while. If you've spent months doing the same lifts for upper or lower body, the same cardio routine or another workout and noticed diminishing returns, it might be time for something new.

The program is structured into 30-minute sessions moving from machine to machine, achieving a full-body workout. A "block" of sessions lasts four weeks and involves two workouts per week for a total of eight sessions.

Four "blocks" of programs provide a full semester of training if you're up to the challenge. Each week you will experience new moves that progress in difficulty and muscular involvement.

The body's core (abdominals, obliques and low/mid back) become more heavily utilized when using Kinesis.

When training, you'll spend 3-4 minutes at each machine performing 3-6 maneuvers. The major difference between this training style and that of standard weight lifting is that with Kinesis, you spend at least one min-

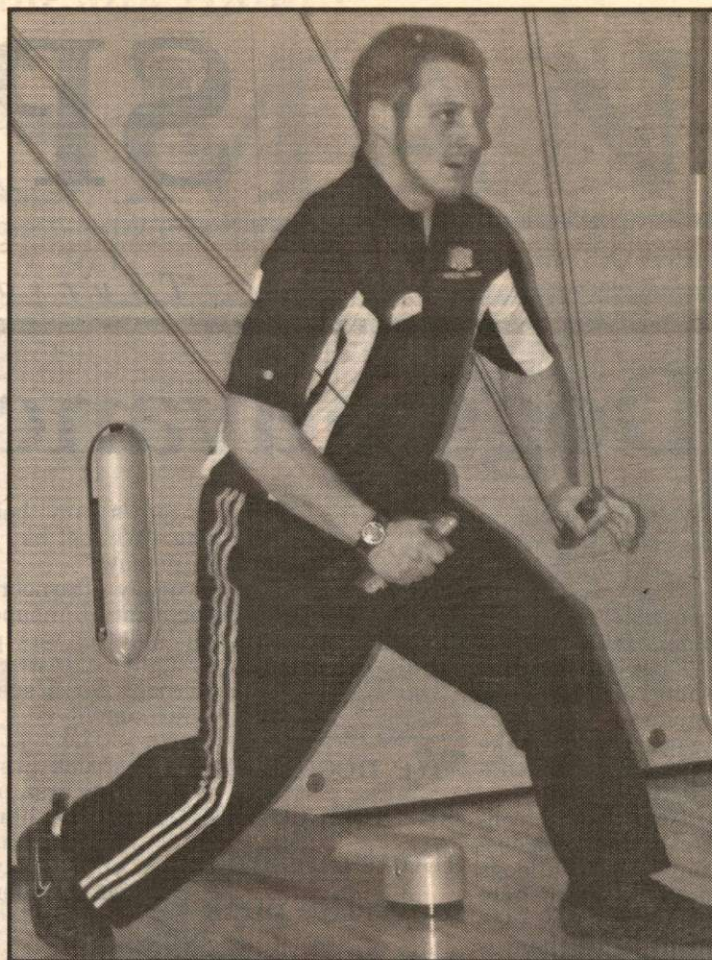
ute in non-stop repetitions of a given move, whereas a typical set in the weight room lasts only around half as long.

It doesn't matter if you're thin, thick, young, old, out of shape or in shape. You'll set the resistance for what fits you.

Anyone can get a tremendous workout if they bring the effort.

## What Kinesis is good for

- **Flexibility:** You will work in a full range of motion.
- **Functional Strength:** Workout moves resemble real life activities.
- **Toning:** Increased set duration allows for higher repetitions.
- **Balance/Stability:** One legged exercises strengthen stabilizer muscles.
- **Core Strength:** Learn to move the shoulders separate from the hips.
- **Proprioceptivity:** You'll become more conscious of your body's position.



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Personal trainer Curt Sahli demonstrates a chest press/lunge exercise, which is just one of 250+ moves utilized in the programs.

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# SPORTS

Thursday, March 8, 2007

## Dogs advance to NCAA playoffs

By Jim Salmela  
Statesman Staff Reporter

After a heartbreaking 3-2 overtime loss to the Minnesota Gophers in the semifinals of the WCHA tournament, there was some doubt whether the UMD women's hockey team would make the NCAA tournament.

After losing control of their own destiny, the Bulldogs needed Wisconsin to beat Minnesota to help their chances to get a selection. After Wisconsin beat Minnesota 3-1 Sunday afternoon, denying the

Gophers an automatic selection into the NCAA tournament, the door reopened, and the Bulldogs earned an at-large selection.

The Bulldogs will play No. 2 seed Mercyhurst tomorrow at 6 p.m. in the first round of the NCAA tournament in Erie, Pa.

"For sure, that could have been the end of our season," said senior defenseman Jill Sales after being asked if she was worried about

last Saturday's game being their last game. "We feel like we have another life now."

On Saturday afternoon at Ridder Arena in Minneapolis, the Bulldogs and Gophers played a tightly fought contest with both teams playing for a spot in the NCAA tournament.

"We need to be relaxed, confident about ourselves, move the puck really well and play good defense."

—Saara Tuominen

The Gophers struck first late in the first period at 19:20 when Andrea Nichols scored on a power play to put the Gophers ahead 1-0.

The Bulldogs answered early in the second period at 4:12 when freshman forward Saara Tuominen scored on a power-play goal. Freshman forward Emmanuelle Blais and Sales assisted on the goal.

After the Gophers retook the lead, the Bulldogs evened up the game 2-2 early in the third period with another power-play goal this time from senior forward Jessica Koizumi at 4:50. Tuominen and Sales assisted on the goal.

"For most of the season our

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Senior forward Jessica Koizumi takes a slap shot in their game against the University of Minnesota on Feb. 17. In this series, the Bulldogs swept the Gophers but weren't so lucky in their last meeting when they lost last weekend in the WCHA semifinal game.

## Liz Palkie runs her way to Nationals this weekend

By Charlene Hudalla  
Statesman Staff Reporter

UMD freshman Liz Palkie of Carlton, Minn. will be in Boston this weekend for the 2007 NCAA Indoor Track and Field Championships. Palkie is the only athlete from UMD competing in the meet.

She was an automatic qualifier for the 800 meter when she ran a 2:11.63 at the University of Minnesota a few weeks ago.

Although this is the only event she is participating in at Nationals, it is not her only event. Palkie also runs the mile and anchors the 4x400-meter relay team, which holds the new school record of 3:56.01.

Palkie is a freshman here at UMD, yet it is her third year as a college student. She was at the University of Minnesota on a hockey scholarship and stayed there two years, taking time off from track.

"I haven't run track competitively in a few years, so I didn't put a ton of pressure on myself," said Palkie.

Hard work and the right attitude is what has gotten Palkie so far and her teammates know it.

"She always has a positive attitude and never complains about the workouts coach gives," said teammate sophomore Greta Stangl.

"Liz is one of the hardest working teammates I have

ever had and is a great leader," said sophomore Alyssa Wendt, another teammate.

A hard work ethic isn't the only thing that has made Palkie so successful.

"Having amazing teammates that push me during workouts has really helped me this season," said Palkie.

Her coach, John Fulkrod, speaks very highly of the athlete.

"For as great of a runner as she is, she is even a nicer person," said Fulkrod. "She knows how to train and always is in good shape. She just knows how to get ready to perform."

Palkie's indoor season consisted of personal bests for all her events, including the 800

meter that qualified her for Nationals. She is also a cross country runner and missed Nationals by only four seconds in the 6000 meter.

As for preparing for this weekend, Palkie said she is trying to get decent rest along with a few solid workouts.

"I don't feel I should be nervous because God already blessed me with so much this season, and I know I am competing for love of the sport," said Palkie. "No matter what happens I will know that I gave 100 percent."



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Palkie earned NCC athlete of the week Feb. 20 when she automatically qualified for the national meet with a time of 2:11.63 in the 800.

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